

THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

August 30, 1965

Dear Red:

The President has asked me in the enclosed letter to establish procedures to ensure that no governmental sponsorship of foreign area research will adversely affect United States foreign relations.

Within the Department of State I have asked Thomas L. Hughes, Director of the Bureau of Intelligence and Research, to communicate with those agencies with social science contract research programs relating to foreign areas. He will be developing procedures to assure policy clearance of such Government-sponsored research. The Bureau of the Budget will work with Mr. Hughes in developing these procedures.

With warm regards,

Sincerely,

Dean Rusk

Enclosure:

Letter from the President,  
August 2, 1965.

**State Dept. review completed. Referral to NSC not required.**

Vice Admiral William F. Raborn, Jr.,  
Director,

Central Intelligence Agency

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

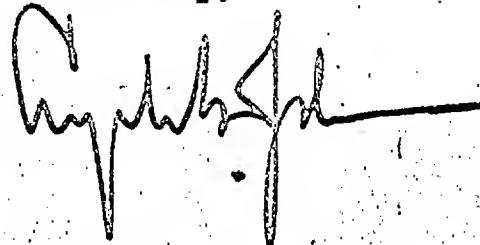
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Many agencies of the Government are sponsoring social science research which focuses on foreign areas and people and thus relates to the foreign policy of the United States. Some of it involves residence and travel in foreign countries and communication with foreign nationals. As we have recently learned, it can raise problems affecting the conduct of our foreign policy.

For that reason I am determined that no Government sponsorship of foreign area research should be undertaken which in the judgment of the Secretary of State would adversely affect United States foreign relations. Therefore I am asking you to establish effective procedures which will enable you to assure the propriety of Government-sponsored social science research in the area of foreign policy. I suggest that you consult with the Director of the Bureau of the Budget to determine the proper procedures for the clearance of foreign affairs research projects on a Government-wide basis.

Sincerely,



The Honorable Dean Rusk  
Secretary of State  
Washington, D. C. 20520

